AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A tire comprising at least one carcass-type reinforcement structure anchored on each side of the tire in a bead whose base is intended to be mounted on a rim seat, the at least one reinforcement structure forming a main reinforcement structure and a secondary reinforcement structure, each bead extending radially outwards by a sidewall, the sidewalls radially outwardly joining a tread, the carcass type main reinforcement structure extending circumferentially from the bead to the sidewall, and a crown reinforcement, each of the beads further comprising a main anchoring zone for attaching the main reinforcement structure, the tire comprising in a radially outer position relative to the main anchoring zone a rim protector provided with a rubber projection extending axially outwardly relative to the sidewall and comprising at least one secondary anchoring zone for anchoring the secondary reinforcement structure, the secondary anchoring zone comprising a cord batch forming radially spaced circumferentially extending cord portions plurality of circumferential cord windings, the windings cooperating with an adjacent portion of the secondary reinforcement structure via a rubber anchoring mix, said anchoring zones being oriented substantially radially wherein the secondary reinforcement structure terminates at a location spaced from the main anchoring zone.

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- 2. (Currently Amended) The tire of claim 1, wherein the secondary reinforcement structure is a structure portion extending extends from the rim protector up to a radially outer portion of the sidewall.
 - 3. (Canceled)
- 4. (Currently Amended) The tire of claim 1, wherein the at least one reinforcement structure comprises a plurality of reinforcement structures forming the main and secondary reinforcement structures, respectively, the secondary reinforcement structure extending from one sidewall of the tire to the other along a meridian path substantially adjacent to that of the first carcass-type main reinforcement structure.
 - 5. (Canceled)
- 6. (Currently Amended) The tire of claim 1, wherein the main anchoring zone comprises a <u>cord batch including radially spaced circumferentially extending cord portions plurality of circumferential windings cooperating with the adjacent portion of the main reinforcement structure portion via a rubber anchoring mix.</u>
- 7. (Original) The tire of claim 1, wherein the main anchoring zone comprises a bead wire about which a portion of the carcass-type reinforcement structure is at least partially wound.

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8. (New) The tire of claim 1 wherein the main and secondary reinforcement structures are integral parts of a single reinforcement structure, and are disposed alternatingly along the tire circumference.

- 9. (New) The tire of claim 1 wherein the cord batch is embedded in the anchoring mix such that the cord portions of the cord batch are spaced by the anchoring mix from one another and from the secondary reinforcement structure.
- 10. (New) The tire of claim 9 wherein the cord portions comprise respective turns of a spirally-wound cord.
- 11. (New) The tire of claim 9 wherein the cord portions comprise respective concentrically arranged cord rings.
- 12. (New) The tire of claim 6 wherein there are two cord batches at each of the main and secondary anchoring zones, wherein one of the two batches is disposed adjacent one side of the respective main and secondary reinforcement structures, and the other batch is disposed adjacent an opposite side of such respective reinforcement structure.
- 13. (New) A tire comprising at least one carcass-type reinforcement structure anchored on each side of the tire in a bead whose base is intended to be mounted on a rim seat, the at least one reinforcement structure including a main reinforcement structure and a secondary reinforcement structure, each bead extending radially outwards by a sidewall, the sidewalls radially outwardly joining a

tread, the main reinforcement structure extending from the bead to the sidewall, and a crown reinforcement, each of the beads further comprising a main anchoring zone for attaching the main reinforcement structure, the tire comprising in a radially outer position relative to the main anchoring zone a rim protector provided with a rubber projection extending axially outwardly relative to the sidewall and comprising at least one secondary anchoring zone for anchoring the secondary reinforcement structure, the secondary anchoring zone comprising a cord batch including radially spaced, circumferentially extending cord portions cooperating with an adjacent portion of the secondary reinforcement structure via a rubber anchoring mix, the cord batch being embedded in the rubber anchoring mix such that the cord portions of the cord batch are spaced by the anchoring mix from one another and from the secondary reinforcement structure.

- 14. (New) The tire of claim 13 wherein the cord portions comprise respective turns of a spirally-wound cord.
- 15. (New) The tire of claim 13 wherein the cord portions comprise respective concentrically arranged cord rings.
- 16. (New) A tire comprising a carcass-type reinforcement structure anchored on each side of the tire in a bead whose base is intended to be mounted on a rim seat, each bead extending radially outwards by a sidewall, the sidewalls radially outwardly joining a tread, the carcass-type reinforcement structure extending from the bead to the sidewall and comprising first and second integrally formed reinforcement portions disposed alternatingly along the tire circumference, and a

crown reinforcement, each of the beads further comprising a main anchoring zone for attaching the first reinforcement portions, the tire comprising in a radially outer position relative to the main anchoring zone a rim protector provided with a rubber projection extending axially outwardly relative to the sidewall and comprising at least one secondary anchoring zone comprising a cord batch which includes circumferentially extending radially spaced cord portions cooperating with the second reinforcement portions via a rubber anchoring mix.